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COMMUNIQUE OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE AND RESISTANCE COMMITTEE OF NAM DINE

- Our Army has attacked with strength and gained brilliant victories on all fronts:
- 2. We have exterminated 23,000 of the enemy, most of them Europeans and North Africans, during the Hoa Binh operations.
- 3. At the time of the victory of Phat Diem, we successively launched attacks in the provinces of Ha Dong, Son Tay, Thai Binh and Ninh Binh, inflicting the gravest losses on the enemy and placing them in a perilous situation.
- 4. At present, our local troops are also launching attacks in our province, always aiming at exterminating the maximum number of enemies and at sabotaging the French strategy of using Vietnamese against Vietnamese.
- 5. Everywhere it is the duty of our troops to carefully protect the lives and property of the citizens, not even touching "a needle or a thread" belonging to the civilian population, to carefully respect the freedom of belief of the population and to carry out the government policy of clemency.
- 6. Regarding those in the service of the enemy: partisans, Bao Chinh Doan, village police, and others; those who rally will have their lives spared; those who wish to return to their villages will be granted permission; those who wish to join the Resistance will be welcomed with open arms.
- 7. Those who return to the village and cease working secretly for the enemy will be pardoned for their mistakes.

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- 8. Those who turn in their arms in order to kill the enemy and return to the Resistance will be recompensed according to their feat of arms.
- 9. The families of partisans, Bac Chinh Doan or village police who remain in the free zone and are engaged in no activities against the Resistance will in no case be disturbed.
- 10. The French enemies grow weaker each day from our repeated attacks. It is the moment for the partisans to abandon them and return to the Resistance.
- 11. All those who, through error, have worked for the French as informers will be pardoned if they cease their activities henceforth.
- 12. On the other hand, all those who have decided to follow the enemy, to the detriment of the country and the people, will be punished without mercy.
- 13. Wherever there are troops, the entire civilian population must keep it secret and aid the soldiers in every way in order to rapidly conquer the enemy.

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